

Macario Castro Family History in California.

(From Bancroft)

Macario Castro, native of Sinaloa, a soldier from 1778, came to California in 1784; he was corporal of the San Diego Company at San Juan Capistrano 1785-7; and at San Jose and Soledad 1790-4; being comisionado at San Jose 1792-4; sergeant from 1794; frequent mention 1795-1800 in connection with Indian affairs and exploring expeditions; invalido (retired) and comisionado at San Jose 1788-1807, and a prominent citizen in many respects.

Don Macario Castro was born in 1753, entered military service in 1778, and came from Loreto to California where he was stationed by 1784. His wife was Maria Potenciana Ramirez, who was native of Sinaloa, also. This couple had twelve children, some of whom were born in Tubac.

Macario Castro died in July, 1809 and was buried in the cemetery of the Mission San Carlos. He was named in the burial record as a retired sergeant of the Monterey Company, husband of Ponteciana Ramirez and a native of Sinaloa.

Children.

1. Jose Tiburcio Castro, born at Tubac, and baptized at Gusavi Mission. *of fresco* p 2-6
2. Maria Manuela Castro, baptized at Mission Gusavi. *17 Sep 1772* (Both records of names, Rowland)
3. Agapito Castro. (Bancroft History, Vol.2). No other record.
4. Maria de Jesus Castro, no record of birth, but confirmed at San Carlos. 1793. (Kneass) *Cap S.D. 23 Aug 1785*
5. Jose Simeon Juan Nep. Castro, baptized March 7, 1784, in Santa Barbara Mission. p 7, 8
6. Maria Felipa de Jesus Castro, baptized August 26, 1785, in San Diego Mission. (Soberanes) p 9
- * 7. Mariano Trinidad Castro, baptized November 9, 1788. San Carlos. p 9
8. Juan Antonio Castro, baptized January 18, 1791. Santa Clara Mission. (Rowland) - p 10
9. Carmen Castro, baptized April, 1792, in San Carlos. p 11
10. Maria Dolores Castro, baptized *10 Jan 1787* in San Juan Capistrano. No date. p 11
11. Angel Dolores Castro, baptized April 12, 1794, Santa Clara Mission. (Rowland) p 11
12. Maria Josefa Ingarda Castro, baptized on March 21, 1796 in San Carlos. (Kneass) p 12

1. Jose Tiburcio Castro was a soldier, and a corporal. In 1819 alcalde of San Jose. He was always in 1827, in Monterey, and partido elactor and alcalde again in 1829. Comisionado for Soledad in 1831, mayordomo and administrator of San Juan Bautista Mission in 1833-36. He was grantee of Rancho Sausal in 1834. Member of the junta in 1839 and prefect of the first district, in 1840, succeeding his son. He married on December 12, 1802, at San Carlos Mission, Maria Rufina Alvarez, the daughter of Juan Alvarez and Bernarda Silva. She was baptized on July 12, 1790 in San Gabriel Mission. The padrones were Santiago Pigo and Maria Simona, the widow of Jose Maria Lopez. Their children were; Jose Antonio Castro, Maria de la Luz Francisca Castro, Maria Antonia, Santa Esabia Castro, Jose Rosario Castro and Maria Castro.

Children born to Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez.

1. Jose Antonio Castro, baptized August 7, 1808 in Soledad Mission. He married on August 12, 1831, at San Carlos, Maria Modesta Victirina Castro, the daughter of Jose Antonio Castro and Merced Ortega. She was baptized June, 1816 at San Carlos. She was the granddaughter of Antonio Maria Castro and Victorina Beltran. Their eight children;

- A. Maria Isabel Castro, baptized on July 4, 1832 at San Carlos. (no other data)
- B. Estavan Castro, the son that inherited the home in San Juan. '4 data from Jose (Ortega)
- C. Jose Castro Jr. No record of birth but Jose Ortega, historian, said that he married Flora Gragiola.
- D. ~~Maria Modesta Castro, born on Feb 23, 1847, and baptized March 26, 1848~~
D. Maria Modesta Castro, born July 23, 1842 and baptized in February 1843 at San Carlos.
- E. Maria Candalaria Criselda Castro, baptized March 26, 1844, aged 53 days.
- F. Jose Tiburcio Castro, n baptized January 2, 1846.
- G. Jose Castro, baptized November 22, 1848.
- H. Cesario Castro, baptized March 2, 1851.
- I. Eleanora Elizabeta Castro, baptized April, 1854.
- D. Maria Modesta Castro, who was baptized on February 27, 1843 at San Carlos had Juan Bautista Alvarado and his wife, Martina Castro for her Padrinos.
- J. Lencóa Castro, daughter of Jose and Modesta Castro was confirmed in 1853. Their mother Modesta Victorina Castro died in Monterey in 1899. She left two sons in Monterey and two sons in Alameda, according to the newspaper the Monterey New Era, of July 5, 1899. (Kneass)

*April #4457
born July 23 1847
Sept Feb 4 1848
San Carlos*

See long biography of Jose Castro in Bancroft's History of California, Vol.2. He died in Mexico in 1860. He built a large two storied adobe house in 1825. This house was erected opposite the Mission San Juan Batista and across from the Plaza. Jose Castro and Juan Alvarado made this large home their headquarters during the revolt which overthrew Governor Gutierrez and put ~~San~~ Alvarado in office. This home was sold to Patrick Breen and it was deeded to him February 7, 1849. The Breen family were members of the Donner Party in 1846.

Of the ~~five~~ children that were born to Jose Castro and Modesta Castro, at least five lived to maturity. Maria Modesta Castro married William Dana, and had children. The old adobe house that was erected by Jose Castro and sold to Breen is included in the San Juan Bautista State Monument which has dedicated on September 29, 1935 by the State Park Commission and the San Juan Preservation League. (copied from Historic Spots, page 303)

Continuing with the children that were born to Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez

2. Maria de la Luz Francisca Castro, was baptized September 14, 1809 at San Carlos. She married on October 2, 1826, at San Carlos, Santiago Moreno. Santiago was a sailor when he came to California in 1824. He was a native of Ecuador. He held the offices of collector and sindaco of the Monterey ayuntamiento in 1827-28 and

regidor in 1825 and in 1835 he was living in Monterey. He and his wife had a large family, twelve in all. Maria Dolores, Maria Josefa, Maria Altagracia, xRamona, Maria Ignacia, Maria Trinidad, Luis, Maria Luisa, Inocencia, Francisco, Mariano Santiago Moreno. Mr. Rowland, historian, found two more names that were not listed, Maria Gambula Moreno and who was buried October 3, 1840, and Maria Micaela Moreno baptized December 17, 1848 in San Juan Bautista Mission.

1. Maria Dolores Moreno, baptized in 1827, married on November 25, 1847, at San Juan Bautista Mission, Jose Ignacio Cantua, the son of Vicente Cantua and Juana Soto. Jose Ignacio Cantua was baptized at San Carlos on September 24, 1827. Their four children were Amanda, Rufina, Lola or Dolores and Juan Rosember Cantua.

1. Amanda Cantua married Jose Maria Escobar in 1881. Jose Escobar was the son of Jose Maria Escobar and Ascension Boronda and in 1893 they were living north of Gonzales with one child. (Biography in Barrows and Ingersol) (Kneass)

2. Rufina Cantua, daughter of Jose Ignacio Cantua and Lola or Dolores SantaMoreno, married on July 1, 1882, John A. Goodrick, who was born in England and came to Calif. in 1875 and lived on a ranch near Salinas from 1887. Their children in 1910 were; John Goodrick, married and living near Spreckles.

Joseph Goodrick.

Thomas Goodrick.

(note from Jose Ortega, historian. Dolores died about 1914. (Data from Guinn, published 1910, Monterey County History)

3. Dolores Cantua married Esequiel Soberanes Jr. called Juero. He was the son of Esequiel Soberanes and his wife, Maria Ignacia Moreno. (Dolores and Esequiel were cousins) They had no children. When Esequiel Soberanes Sr. died he left his home on Pacific street in Monterey to his son, Esequiel Soberanes. After Esequiel Jr. died his widow lived there till 1922 when she sold the adobe house to Miss Jean Booth. Lola Soberanes died about 1924.

4. Juan (Johnny) Rosamber Cantua. No data on this man.

2. Josefa or Maria Josefa Moreno, baptized on March 1, 1829, at San Carlos, married on March 8, 1847, Pablo de la Guerra, the son of Jose de la Guerra and Maria Antonia Carrillo of Santa Barbara. He was born November 28, 1819. He got part of his education in the El Patrocinio de San Jose, the college that was established by W.E.P. Hartnell and Father Patrick Shortt on January 1, 1834. This college was built on Hartnells Rancho El Alisal about five miles N east of Salinas. It is still standing but in ruins.

Don Pablo held the office of contador and also he was acting administrator of the Monterey Custom House in 1842. In 1844 he was grantee of Nicasio Rancho. He was alcalde in Santa Barbara in 1847 and a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1849, state senator for several terms and district judge from 1864 to within a short time before his death, which occurred on February 5, 1874. Don Pablo de la Guerra was by far, the most prominent of the De la Guerra sons.

Their children were Francisca, Hermania, Paulina, Delfina and Carlos de la Guerra. Francisca de la Guerra married Thomas B. Dibblee. The Dibblee family, descendants of Francisca, live in Santa Barbara.

Hermania de la Guerra married Emmanuel Louis E. Lee of Rochester, New York.

Paulina and Carlos de la Guerra died young.

Delfina de la Guerra was born on March 21, 1861, and died April 25, 1955 aged 92. She did not marry, and lived for years in a part of the old De la Guerra adobe house in Santa Barbara. Both Don Pablo and his wife were fine looking couple. In the book, Santa Barbara, a community History, there are pictures of this couple.

Don Pablo de la Guerra died in February, 1874. His wife, Josefa Moreno died in 1889, aged fifty-five.

Continuing with the children born to Francisca Castro and Santiago Moreno.

3. Maria Altigracia Ramona Moreno, was baptized July 12, 1831, at San Carlos. She married on November 25, 1847, at San Juan Bautista Mission, Jose Quintin Ortega the son of Jose Quintin Ortega and Ignacia Vicenta Butron. (according to Jose Ortega's notes, Jose Quintin Ortega was born on March 19, 1855. He died February 22, 1880)

Ramona and her husband had these children;

Blandina Ortega, married Juan Fallon.

Pedro Ortega.

Refugia Ortega, married 1st. Lorenzo Amador. 2nd. Francisco Gallego.

Rebecca Ortega, married Jose del Carmen Valencia.

Soyla (Soila?) married Don Pablo Gonzalez.

Jose Quintin Ortega married Julia Aguilar.

Cecilia Ortega. No data. (All of these records are from Jose Ortega) Mrs. Knass.

4. Maria Ignacia Moreno, daughter of Francisca Castro and Santiago Moreno, was baptized April, 1855 at San Carlos. She married Jose Antonio Ezequiel Soberanes, the son of Mariano de Jesus Soberanes and Maria Isadora Vallejo. Ezequiel Soberanes was baptized on July 21, 1822 at San Carlos. Their children were;

1. Celedonio Ezequiel Soberanes, baptized May 15, 1855.

2. Bernabe Soberanes, married on August 26, 1882, Thomas B. Slate, aged 40. Bernabe was born in 1852. Their children were Edward, Thomas, William, John, Arabella and Herbert Slate. Mr. Slate owned the famous Slate Hot Springs, which are located on the San Simeon coast near Pt. Sur, Monterey county.

Herbert Slate lives in Monterey with his wife and family. No data on the rest of this family.

3. Demas Soberanes. No data.

4. Mary Soberanes. " "

5. Roberto Soberanes, born in 1858 died April 18, 1887.

6. Ignacio Soberanes. No data.

7. Rosa Soberanes, married September 14, 1890, aged 24, Edward S. Waters, aged 35. He was a native of Mass. Their son, Edward Waters Jr. married Juanita Soberanes, the daughter of Porfirio Soberanes, who is a son of Francisco Soberanes of the Soledad branch.

8. Bernardo Soberanes, born in 1864, married Miss May Gibbons, of Sonora. They lived in Oakland near Telegraph for years. They had no children. Mr. Soberanes was a barber having a shop in San Francisco. Mrs Soberanes was a teacher years ago, and was active in Parent Teacher Association. She died in Oakland in 1940. Bernardo Soberanes lived in Monterey for a while after his wife's death and then moved back to Oakland and lived in the "Altenheim". He died on May 26, 1946, aged 82.

9. Santiago Soberanes. No data.

10. Gaspar Soberanes married Miss Margaret Burke. Their son, Robert Soberanes was killed in action in World War, II, in 1942. He was not married. His parents died

when he was young and he lived with his uncle Bernardo Soberanes, for years.

Maria Ignacia Moreno Soberanes , born in 1833 died in March, 1888.

Ezequiel Soberanes, born in 1822, died August 4, 1898.

Ezequiel Soberanes bought an adobe house on Pacifica street in Monterey, which used to be called Estrada street, about 1850. About seven of his children were born there and the rest were born in the adobe house that is down the San Simeon coast about eighteen miles from Carmel. (This data was sent to me by Mrs Bernardo Soberanes who got this data from her husband)

The Soberanes house was sold to Miss Jean Booth by Lola Cantua Soberanes, Ezequiel's daughter in law, in 1922. Miss Booth later, married Reuben Serrano. A few years later, After Mr.Serrano's death, his widow sold the house to Mr.William O'Donnell in 1941. In the Monterey Peninsula Herald, this news was printed, June 3, 1953.

"Happy news that another of Monterey's historical old adobe houses will be preserved for future generations was announced today as the highlight of the city's 183rd birthday celebration. It was a magnificent gift. Over four hundred persons gathered in Memory Garden, adjoining the old Pacific building, heard Dr. Robert Burns member of the State Park Commission, announce that Mrs William O'Donnell is presenting her home, Casa Soberanes, to the State of California. The gift includes all of the period furniture, many pieces of which are of early origin. The adobe, built during the Mexican period, is located on Pacific. Mrs O'Donnell will continue to make the old adobe her home for the remainder of her life time.

This house is described in detail in the book, "Spanish Colonial or Adobe Architecture of California" by Donald R.Hannaford and R. Edwards.

5. Maria Trinidad del Refugia Moreno, baptized October 31, 1834, in San Juan Bautista Mission, married Guillermo Hartnell, the son of W.E.P.Hartnell and Teresa de la Guerra Hartnell. Their children;

Rosa Hartnell, married 1st. Mr.Miranda. 2nd. Guillermo Gallisholte.

Adelaide Hartnell married Alfred Estrada.

Amira or Almira Hartnell married C.Johnson.

Teresa Hartnell. Cristina Hartnell. Nathaniel Hartnell. Eduardo, Jorge Hartnell.

6. Louis or Luis Moreno. listed as ten in the 1850 census. He married Refugia Ortega Leon Rowland had a record of Refugia Ortega, daughter of Jose Dolores Ortega and Maria Dolores Leyva, as married to a Luis Morena. (Part of this from Jose Ortega)

7. Maria Luisa Moreno, born in 1844 (according to the 1850 census in the Santiago Moreno household) Maria Luisa Moreno married Thomas Watson in 1855. Thomas was the son of James Watson and Mariana Escamilla. (from Barrows and Ingersoll) By 1892 this couple had ten children and the youngest was eleven years old, according to the biography in Guinns. Their children were;

Thomas Watson, Jr.

Edward Watson.

Levan (deceased by 1910. There was an Alexander Leban Watson son, baptized on Nov. 7th, 1880.

Lewis Watson.

Mrs Fred Smith.

Nathan Watson.

Mrs Fred Sargeant.

Abel Watson.

William Watson.

Henry Watson.

Nrs Fred Treat.

Continuing with the children born to Francisca Castro and Santiago Moreno.

8. Inocencia de Jesus Adelaida Moreno, baptized in January, 1847, in San Carlos. She married, according to Jose Ortega's notes, Thomas Bolton. They had one child, Elisa Bolton.

9. Francisco Moreno. A Francisco Moreno, age 4, listed in the household in the 1850 census. Leon Rowland found the baptism of Jose Francisco de la Trinidad Moreno, son of Santiago Moreno, on December 25, 1843 at Mission San Juan Bautista. He ~~was~~ married Carloine Abbott or Albert.

10. Maxiamano Santiago Moreno, was baptized on September 23, 1850, at San Juan Bautista Mission. He died in 1882, aged 28. He was buried from San Carlos. He had married Elisa Moreno, according to Jose Ortega's notes.

This finishes the history of Maria Francisca Castro and her husband, Santiago Moreno and their ten children. Santiago Moreno died in June, 1881. He was buried in San Carlos Cemetery. He was 87. His wife, Maria Francisca Castro Moreno died in the home of her daughter, Mrs Dolores de Cantua, near Salinas. She left 64 grandchildren and 54 great grandchildren. (data from a clipping that I have from an old scrapbook, that I found in Mrs Olivia Castro Scott's scrap album.)

Continuing with the last three children born to Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez.

3. Maria Antonia Eusabia Castro, daughter of Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez was baptized on March 6, 1811 at San Carlos. She died and was buried on March, 12, 1812 in San Carlos.

4. Jose Rosario Castro, the son of Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez, was baptized on December 3, 1815, at Mission San Juan Bautista. This son died and was buried on December 9, 1815. (Rowland Record) (Mrs Kneass)

5. Maria Castro. No positive record but a Maria Castro is listed in Jose Ortega's notes as a daughter of Jose Tiburcio Castro and Rufina Alvarez. This girl, Maria married as a second wife, Ignacio Soto.

Bancroft has this or these records in the Pioneer Register. Page 728. Vol. 5.

Ignacio Soto, corporal in Monterey in 1831, aged 22. (born 1814)

Ignacio Soto, soldier at Monterey, aged 26, in 1836. (born 1810)

One of these men could have been Maria Castro's husband?

This is the history of Jose Tiburcio Castro his wife and their five children.

Records from Rowland, Ortega and Mrs Kneass.

Continuing with the children born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

5. Jose Simeon Juan Nepomucena Castro, called Simeon, was baptized on March 7, 1784 in Mission Santa Barbara. (Rowland)

He married Maria Antonia Pico, the daughter of Jose Dolores Pico and Maria Isabel Cota. Their children; Juana, Manuel de Jesus, Manuel, Maria Antonia, Pedro, Jose Antonio, Jose Patricio Francisco, Jose Leandro, Juan Bautista and Jose Maria de la Merced Castro.

1. Juana Paula Ignacia Castro, called Juana, was baptized in June, 1820, at San Carlos. In her baptismal record, her father is listed as a native of Santa Barbara and her mother as native of Villa de Branciforte. (Santa Cruz) Juana married Josiah Merritt, first judge of Monterey county. Their home is on Pacific street in Monterey and it is still standing. They had a family of two sons and three daughters.

Juana Castro Merritt died in Monterey and was buried from San Carlos in March, 1889. Their children; (Data from Raymond H. Castro, of San Jose.) Jose Merritt married and had a daughter, Anna Merritt.

Manuel Merritt was born in 1855. He married Lizzie W. Townsend. Their three sons are Robert, Ray and Bert Merritt.

Edwina Merritt married D. Clark. Their daughter Anita Clark married Thomas M. Temple. Anita and her husband have a son, Stanley Temple. Their daughter, Thelma Temple married Mr. Manesty.

Herlinda Merritt.

Juana Merritt married Mr. Kilpatrick. They have a son, Harry Kilpatrick.

2. Manuel de Jesus Castro, son of Simeon, was baptized on December 25, 1821, in San Carlos. He became a prominent citizen in Monterey. He was collector and secretary in 1842 and 1843. He was prime mover in the revolt against Micheltorena, taking an active part throughout 1844-45. He was magistrate of the Monterey district in 1845, being also a lieutenant of the Monterey Company and taking a most prominent part in public affairs. He took a prominent and honorable part in the troubles with Fremont. Since 1852 Manuel de Jesus Castro resided in San Francisco till 1885. He died in Castroville. He never married. *died April 25, 1871*

3. Manuel Castro, baptized in 1825 at San Carlos, died in 1853. (no data)

4. Maria Antonia Castro, was born in 1826. She married Rafael x Sanchez y Galvan, who had come from Cadiz, Spain, where he was born. Their children were;

Josefa Sanchez, married Samuel F. Geil. Their two girls are Anna and Erlinda Geil. Ana Geil married Mr. Andreson.

Erlinda Geil married Walter Norris. She lives in Salinas.

Dolores Sanchez. (No data.)

Edvides Sanchez married Henry Bach. Their daughter Maria Antonita Bach married Mr. Thompson.

Maria Antonia Sanchez died in 1890, aged 49. (No data on the death of Mr. Sanchez.)

5. Pedro Castro, born in 1828. Confirmed in 1836. No other data.

6, Jose Antonio Castro, baptized May, 1, 1830. No data.

7. Jose Patricio Francisco Castro, baptized in March, 1832, at San Carlos. Barrows and Ingersoll have in their biography that Jose P. Francisco Castro, born in 1832 married Maria Mardoceo, daughter of Pedro Mardoceo of Castroville. They had Teresa Marcisa, Anna, Elvira and Raymond H. Castro.

Teresa Marcisa Castro married Mr. Saffer.

Elvira Castro married Lindren.

Anna Castro died.

Raymond H. Castro married Alice Cronin. They live in San Jose.

8. Jose Leandro Castro, was born in 1834. He married Dolores (Lola) Soto. Their children are;

Peter Castro. Died.

John Castro. "

Katy Castro married Antone Bowman. Their daughter is Viola Bowman.

Josefa Castro married Ed. Felix. Their two children are Chonita and Arabela Felix.

Chonita Felix died.

Arabela Felix.

9. Juan Bautista Castro, was born in 1835. He married Catalina Pombert in 1868. He founded the town of Castroville. He was supervisor in Monterey county. The newspaper notice of his death states that he was born on June 24, 1835, and died in April 1915, aged 80. He left his widow, three sons and five daughters. They are;

1. Mrs Eliza Castro, (Mrs Martin Eak Holzhauer.)

2. Mrs Lucy Castro, (Mrs Carcares. 2nd William Lensen.)

3. Mrs Felicia Castro. 1st. Mr. Brown. 2nd Mrs Felicia Castro Heatley. Felicia had a daughter by Mr. Brown, Helen Brown. Helen married Harold Stevens and they have a daughter, Sandra Lynn Stevens. Mr and Mrs Heatley live in Oakland.

4. Isabel Castro. She married Mr. Hall. (deceased)

5. Maria Jane Castro. She married Mr. Adams. She died August 5, 1947.

6. Juan B. Castro. Died June 13, 1944.

7. Manuel Luis Castro, died June 25, 1954.

8. Louis Castro.

9. Jose Maria de la Merced Castro, was baptized Sept., 1836. Died January, 1857.

Of the above children of Jose Simeon Castro, five were living when Someone's wife Maria Antonia Pico de Castro died in 1885. An article written by Francisco Rico in the Gomez scrapbook states that of all of her children, the following were still living; General Don Manuel Castro.

Juan Bautista Castro.

José Leandro Castro.

Maria Antonia Castro de Sanchez, widow of Capt. of Ejercito Mexicana Don Rafael Sanchez.

Juana Castro de Merritt, widow of Judge Jose Merritt.

Continuing with ~~the~~ Jose Simeon Juan Nep. Castro, the son of Macario Castro and Maria Potenciana Ramirez. He was granted Bolsa y Moro Cojo, eight square leagues of land in three parts. The first, called Bolsa was given to him February 14, 1825 by Gov. Luis Arguello; the second, Bolsa Nueva, was given to him on May 14, 1836; by Governor Chico; the third Moro Cojo on Nov. 20, 1857. The whole was revalidated to the heirs of Castro by Gov. Micheltoresa on Sept. 26, 1844. Irregular in shape, it reached the swamp near Monterey Bay to rolling hills. Its southeastern corner is Lagunita a lake of which three other ranchos touched; Bolsa de las Escarpinas, La Natividad and Las Vergales.

The widow, Dona Maria Antonia Pico de Castro and her nine children filed claim for this land in 1855. In December, 1872, a survey was made and a patent was thereafter issued to these claimants for 50, 901.54 acres. The town of Castroville, founded in 1864 by Juan Castro, son of the grantee, is situated within the bounds of this old grant.

Rancho Punta del Ano Nuevo was granted May 27, 1842, by Governor Alvarado to Simson Castro, covered that vast tract of 17, 755.15 acres in the extreme southwestern part of San Mateo county and stretched from Butano Creek to the Ano Nuevo Light Station. In 1857 after the death of Simson, his widow, Maria Antonia Pico de Castro and his family received the United States patent for the property. (parts were copied from Historic Spots)

Maria Antonia Pico was the daughter of Jose Dolores Pico and Isabel Cota. Her ix brother, Antonio Maria Pico, was born in 1808. He married Maria Petra Bernal on November 13, 1831. She was the daughter of Jose Joaquin Bernal and Maria Josefa Sanchez. Their children were Petra, Marcelina, Vicente, and Ramon Pico.

Her sister, Filomena Pico, married Luis Pombert. Pombert came to California in 1826. He was a Canadian trapper in Jed. Smiths party and he left the party in 1827 and lived eighteen months on Figueroa's rancho. In April, 1829 he went to San Jose. There is no date (that I could find) of his marriage, but he married Filomena Pico the daughter of Dolores Pico. Their son, Juan Pombert was born in 1830 and a daughter, Isabel Pombert was born in 1833. In 1832 he joined the Company Extranjera at Monterey. Juan Pombert married Maria Dolores Boronda and they had ten children. Their daughter Lorena Pombert was born in Watsonville on February 11, 1871. She married Henry Breen and their children are Eleanor Breen (Mrs Henderson) Edward Breen of Los Angeles and William H. Breen of Monterey. Mrs Breen passed away several years ago. She was buried in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery near Hayward. Her sister, Mrs Abby, lives in Pacific Grove and there is a brother, ~~xxxxxx~~

Continuing with the children born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

Maria Felipa de Jesus Castro, baptized August 29, 1785 in San Diego Mission. No data.
(Leon Rowland)

7. Mariano Trinidad Castro, the son of Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez, was baptized on November 9, 1788 in San Carlos. He was confirmed in 1790. He died in Monterey and was buried March 12, 1849, at San Carlos.

Mariano Castro married on December 12, 1813, at San Carlos, Francisca Escamilla, a native of the presidio of San Francisco. She was the daughter of Tomas Escamilla and Ignacia Alva. Francisca Escamilla died in childbirth in October, 1815. Her child lived. He was Miguel del Rosario Vicente Castro, and he was baptized October 1st, 1815 at San Carlos. Miguel Castro married on October 12, 1835 at San Carlos Ysabel Amasquita, the daughter of Salvador Amasquita and Graciana Martinez. Their children;

Ramon de Jesus Castro, baptized September, 21, 1838 at San Juan Bautista. He died in 1840. Second child born was Felis de Jesus Castro, baptized January, 23, 1842. at San Juan Bautista Mission. When Felis was born his mother, Ysabel Amasquita died and was buried January 23, 1842 at San Juan Bautista.

Miguel Castro, as widower, married on July 23, 1842 3, at San Juan Bautista, Josefa Echavarria the daughter of Nicolas Echavarria and Pilar Laros. They had several children;

Maria Josefa Antonia del Rosario Castro, baptized April 20, 1845 at San Juan Baut.

Maria de los Angeles Castro, baptized October 24, 1847 " " " "

Maria de los Angeles Eux Eustaquia Castro, bapt. March 20, 1850. " " " "

In notes made by Milliken, he states that the mother of these children, Josefa Echavarria, died, and the children were taken to raise by their maternal grandmother, Pilar Laros de Echavarria, in San Juan. He states the children were Eustaquia, Desidero, Genova and Frederico. (the last two children not listed above)

No other data on Miguel Castro, nor of his children.

Mariano Trinidad Castro, after the death of his first wife, Francisca Escamilla, in 1815, married on May 26, 1817, at Santa Clara Mission, Rufina Galindo, the daughter of Venancio Galindo and Ramona Lorenzo Sanchez. Rufina was baptized September 17, 1800.

Mariano Trinidad Castro made his will on January 12, 1849 and it was probated in Monterey County in August, 1850. In his will he states that he had been married first, to Francisca Escamilla and had one child by that union, who survives him, and that by his marriage to Rufina Galindo, he had thirteen children, of whom the following were dead by January, 1849; Catarina, Presentacion, Jose, Jorge and Francisco Castro. When his will was probated, the following children (surviving) by Rufina Galindo are listed as follows;

Maria Antonia Castro, born 1829.
Jose Maria Castro, born in 1830?
Ignacio Castro, baptized in November, 1830.
Jose Antonio Castro, born in 1835.
Jose Jorge Castro, born in 1836.
Rosa Castro, born in 1839.
Concepcion Castro, born in 1841.

Maria Antonia Castro, aged 21 in August, 1850, married in 1847, at San Juan Bautista Juan Miguel Anzar. She had two sons. Her husband, Juan M. Anzar died, and she married second, to Dr. McDougall, of San Juan. She died in 1855 at San Juan and is buried next to the Mission Chapel. Her grave can be seen to the right of the Mission. It has her name, place and birth.

Her son, the only one that lived, was Policonio de Guadalupe Anzar. He was called Guadalupe. He was born in the old Plaza Hotel, at San Juan, owned by his father, Don Miguel de Anzar, who with his brother, Father Jose Anzar, came to California from Mexico in 1835. Guadalupe, as a child, played on the great Rancho de las Aromas, a grant from the Spanish crown. Guadalupe died in 1952, aged 81. He was the oldest living member of the Mission parish and one of the first graduates of the University of Santa Clara. (Copied from newspapers in Oakland)

Maria Antonia Castro was the heroine of the Richard Walton Tully's stage success, "Rose of the Rancho". She was about twenty-six years old when she died.

Jose Maria Castro, brother of Maria Antonia Castro, was born in 1830? Ortega notes state that he married Refugio Castro.

Ignacio Castro born in 1829 or 1830. Ortega has him baptized November, 1830 as Abel Ignacio Castro.

Jose Antonio Castro, baptized in 18??

Jose Jorge Castro. Jose Ortega states that he married Candelaria Sanchez.

Rosa Castro. Ortega notes state that she married Juan Carriega.

Concepcion Castro was baptized February 3, 1841. She married on June 8, 1857, at San Juan Bautista Mission, Juan Maria Castro. No other data.

These are all the records that were found on the children born to Mariano Trinidad Castro and Rufina Galindo Castro. No data on Rufina's death.

Continuing with the children that were born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

8. Juan Antonio Castro, the son of Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez, was baptized at Santa Clara Mission on January 18, 1791. He was buried in October, 21, 1791 at San Juan Bautista Mission.

Continuing with the children born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

9. Carmen Castro, was baptized in April, 1792 in San Carlos. Carmen married on December 4, 1814, at Santa Olara Mission, Ventura Amezquita, the son of Manuel Amezquita and Graciana Hernandez. Ventura was named Buenaventura when he was baptized on July 16, 1784 at Santa Olara Mission. He died in 1819 and was buried November 22, 1819 at San Juan Bautista Mission. They had five children born before his death and a son was born after his death, Ramon del Rosario Amezquita, and baptized April, 1820, at San Carlos.

Carmen, as a widow, married again. On November 9, 1822, she married Guadalupe Cantua, the son of Ignacio Cantua and Maria Gertrudis Castillo. Her new husband, Guadalupe, was a widower, having been previously married to Petra Lugo. By this marriage to Guadalupe, Carmen had the following children;

1. Ramon Macario Cantua, baptized October, 1823 at San Carlos.
2. Jose Antonio Cantua, baptized in 1825, at San Carlos. Died in 1826.
3. Paula Rosario Cantua, baptized January, 1827, at San Carlos.
4. Maria Gracia Tomasa Cantua, baptized December, 1828. "
5. Jose Ramon Eulogio Cantua, baptized March, 1831. "
6. Maria Ramona Melchora Cantua, " January, 1833. "

In 1841, Guadalupe Cantua was granted the San Luisito Rancho, west of Rancho El Obispaño San Luis Obispo county. It was patented May 18, 1860 to Guadalupe Cantua. Contained 4389.56 acres. Guadalupe was mayordomo and juez de campo in 1835-36. Bancroft Pioneer Register has these children born to Guadalupe Cantua; Josefa, Ramon, Ramona born 1833.

10. Maria Dolores Castro, daughter of Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez, was baptized in San Juan Capistrano. No date, but she was born before her parents moved to the north. She was confirmed at San Carlos in 1790. Dolores married on July 7, 1806, at Santa Olara Mission, Dionisio Bernal, the son of Francisco Bernal and Josefa Soto. He was born in Mexico in 1865. He came with his parents in the de Anza expedition to California. He married Manuela Mesa on July 31, 1784. Manuela died in 1803 at San Jose. There were no children.

Dolores and her husband Dionisio Bernal had these children;

1. Jose de Jesus Bernal, born November 21, 1807, Santa Olara Mission.
2. Juan Orisostomo Bernal, baptized January 29, 1812, " "
3. Jose Antonio Bernal, baptized September 16, 1809 " "
4. Maria Rosario Bernal, " August 24, 1814. " "
5. Maria Trinidad Bernal, " January 24, 1820, " "
6. Ramona Bernal, " May 10, 1822 " "
7. Antonio Gregorio and Maria Francisca Bernal, baptized September 26, 1824. Twins.

Dionisio Bernal, died on July 22, 1828. He was 63? He was living at Mission San Juan in 1815 as mayordomo. In 1791 he was living in Mission Soledad, a soldier. His widow, Maria Dolores Castro Bernal was living in San Jose in 1841.

Jose de Jesus Bernal, first born to Dionisio Bernal and Dolores Castro was grantee of Canada de Pala in Santa Olara county in 1839. In 1841, Jose de Jesus Bernal was a farmer, living near San Jose with his wife, Maria Antonia Higuera and their children;

1. Jose Gabriel Bernal, born in 1834.
2. Jesus Maria Bernal, born in 1835.
3. Twins, Jose Jesus and Dionisio Bernal, born in 1837.

Continuing with the children born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

11. Angel Dolores Castro, the son of Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez, was

baptized on April 12, 1794 in Santa Clara Mission . He married on September 12, 1812, at San Carlos, Ysabel Butron, the daughter of Mamel Butron and Maria Ignacia Higuera. Their children;

1. Ramon Castro, baptized on January 8, 1816 at San Carlos. Ramon married twice. His first wife was Josefa Luteri and his second wife was Gabriela Higuera.
2. Hilaria Castro was baptized on November 17, 1817 at San Juan Bautista Mission. She married October 12, 1835, Jose Antonio Rodriguez, the son of Sebastian Rodriguez and Maria Perfecta Pacheco. Her first husband died and she remarried on August 19, 1850 at San Juan Bautista Mission, Jose Maria Castro.
3. Guadalupe Castro, born in 1820. She married Mamel Larios, a widower, and died the next year in childbirth. Her child died also.
4. Jose Castro, born in 1823, married Maria Antonia Cantua.
5. Josefa Castro. Born in 1830.
6. Concepcion Castro, born in 1832, married Juan Maria Cantua.
7. Juana Castro, born in 1831, Jose Ortega 's notes says she married Jose Maria Larios, the son of Manuel Larios.

Angel Dolores Castro, and Jose Antonio Rodriguez, his son in law, were granted Rancho Cienaga de los Paicines by Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado on October 5, 1842. Rodriguez died before 1835 when a claim to this property was filed by Angel Castro and Hilaria Rodriguez, (his daughter who married Jose Antonio Rodriguez) the widow of the co-grantee and her three children. A patent for 8,917.52 acres was issued to these claimants on September 23, 1869. In 1833 Angel Dolores Castro had been sub-mayordomo of Mission San Juan Bautista Mission and at the time of receiving this grant, was the commander of militia company at San Jose and Branciforte. Castro's house, a two-story adobe, was built about two miles south of the village of Paicines. In 1916, the adobe, no longer used as a family residence, was used for a bunkhouse for farm laborers. (Copied from Historic Spots)

Continuing with children born to Macario Castro and Potenciana Ramirez.

12. Maria Josefa Lugarda Castro, called Lugarda, was baptized on March 21, 1796 at Santa Clara Mission. She married on December 14, 1814, at Santa Clara, to Salvador Espinosa, the son of Cayetano Espinosa and Rosa Tapia. Salvador, her husband, had been baptized on March 18, 1796 at Mission Soledad. Their children;

Carlos Espinosa, born in 1816, was baptized in Soledad Mission, married Josefa Beronda. They had nine children.

Juana Espinosa, married Juan Bonifacio.

Salvador Espinosa, never married.

Lugarda Espinosa, married Mamel Brune.

Narcisa Espinosa, married John Dutra.

Gudelia Espinosa married Thomas Bouton.

Miguel Espinosa married Guadalupe Mathews.

Margarita Espinosa married Joseph Rice.

Mamel Espinosa married the widow Zanetta. Had no children of his own.

Charlotte Espinosa died young.

Information of this family from Grace Brune, daughter of Lugarda Espinosa and Mamel Brune.

CHILDREN OF MACARIO CASTRO continued

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Manuel, married the widow Zanetta, but no children of his own

Charlotte, died young

(Information of this family from Grace Brune, daughter of Lugarda Espinosa and Manuel Brune)

JOSE ANTONIO, born 1818 (Bancroft

JOSE MARIA, married Ilaria Castro

ASCUNCION, born 1824(Bancroft) married Estevan de la Torre
(see de la Torre family)

(family story) Lugarda Castro, the wife of Salvador Espinosa used to have a home in Monterey about where the corner of Washington and Bonifacio is today- just north of the Washington Hotel. They stayed there when not on the rancho, and she died there. A little story told of her goes somewhat as follows. One day when a new Governor came to Monterey there was held a very special high military mass in the Presidio Chapel. There was a special canopy built for the Governor to sit under inside the church, and two soldiers were chosen to act as guards for the governor. They carried their arms into the church, and held them at shoulder position throughout the service, except for when the priest raised the host. After the service several friends of Dona Lugarda said "Oh Lugarda, were you not proud of your handsome son, and how fine he looked in his uniform?" Lugarda was surprised and said "No, I did not see him". She had kept her eyes on the priest and the service as a ~~devout~~ devout woman should, and had not realized that her own son, Carlos, was one of the fine looking soldiers chosen to guard the Governor. This story was told by Lugarda to her granddaughter, Grace Brune.